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Seria No. 10/750,996 Docket No. SHE0065.00

### REMARKS

## I. Introductory Comments

In the Office Action under reply, the Examiner has indicated that the application is in condition for allowance except that non-elected claims 38-65 must be canceled. Thus, the Examiner has indicated that prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Exparte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

## II. The Claims

Claims 1-65 were previously pending. As directed by the Examiner, claims 38-65 have been canceled. The cancellation of claims 38-65 is made without prejudice and with the ability to prosecute the canceled subject matter in one or more applications. As a consequence, claims 1-37 remain under consideration.

#### III. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that the formal matter preventing allowance of the claims has been addressed. Consequently, the mailing of a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

If a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (650) 620-5506.

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